STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2240

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2573 S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2014 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 2573 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Prohibit the manufacture, sale, or distribution of child care products and toys for young children that contain Bisphenol-A or phthalates beginning on January 1, 2015;
- (2) Require manufacturers to choose safe alternatives;
- (3) Prohibit the use of packages and packaging containing lead, cadmium, mercury, and hexavalent chromium beginning on January 1, 2015; and
- (4) Prohibit the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation from purchasing and using vinyl intravenous solution bags and vinyl tubing beginning on January 1, 2015.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from one individual. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Toy Industry Association, Inc. and American Chemistry Council.

Your Committee finds that hazardous chemicals in consumer products pose unnecessary health risks to individuals,

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communities, workers, and the environment. Your Committee further finds that materials containing vinyl, lead, cadmium, mercury, and hexavalent chromium may release highly toxic chemicals and pollutants. This measure encourages the use of safer alternatives for packages, packaging, intravenous solution bags, and tubing.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting provisions that would have placed restrictions on the manufacture, sale, and distribution of child care products and toys for young children that contain Bisphenol-A or phthalates; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2573, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2573, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Health,

JOSH GREEN, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Seventh Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Health HTH

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SB2573	HTH,	CPN		2-5-14	
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WF	R) Nay	Excused
GREEN, M.D., Josh (C)					
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (VC)					
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne					V
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.					V
SLOM, Sam					
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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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